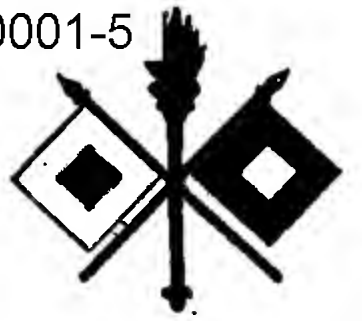


THE WHITE HOUSE

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1. ARGENTINA:

A BLOODLESS COUP IS UNDERWAY. REBEL GENERAL FEDERICO TORANZO

MONTERO WAS CLOSETED WITH GUIDO ~~FOR AN HOUR~~ EARLY THIS MORNING,
no Agreement was reached, and negotiations are continuing.
BUT ~~WE HAVE NO WORD YET OF THE OUTCOME.~~ *Montero's* HIS CANDIDATE FOR CHIEF
OF STAFF, ANTI-PERONIST LT. GEN OSSORIO ARANA, ACCOMPANIED HIM,
AND IT WOULD APPEAR THAT HE WILL BECOME THE THIRD CHIEF OF STAFF
IN AS MANY DAYS TO TAKE OFFICE. WE DOUBT THE REBELS WILL STOP AT
THIS. THEY HAVE STRONG ARMY AND NAVY BACKING (BUT APPARENTLY NOT
AIRFORCE) AND THEY APPEAR INCLINED TO GO ALL THE WAY. THE POPULA-
TION IS TAKING IT ALL IN STRIDE.

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2. HAITI:

A. THE HAITIAN CRISIS REMAINS IN SUSPENSE.

WE HAVE TWO DES-
TROYERS PATROLLING 10 MILES OFF SHORE AND A COMPANY OF MARINES
AT GUANTANAMO HAS BEEN READIED FOR IMMEDIATE MOVEMENT TO HAITI IF
REQUIRED TO ASSIST IN EVACUATION OPERATIONS *of US nationals*

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C. AMBASSADOR THURSTON, MEANWHILE, ADVISES WE ANNOUNCE SUSPENSION OF US MILITARY ASSISTANCE, JUSTIFYING THIS ON THE GROUNDS OF DISARRAY IN THE HAITIAN MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT. HE FEELS THIS WOULD HAVE THE VIRTUE OF ANTICIPATING RATHER THAN REACTING TO ANY ANTI-US MOVE DUVALIER MAY MAKE.

3. GERMANY/BERLIN:

AS MONDAY'S ANNIVERSARY OF THE BERLIN WALL NEARS, COMMUNIST MEDIA ARE MAKING MUCH OF ALLEGED "PROVOCATIONS" IN WEST BERLIN. A SOVIET NOTE DELIVERED ^{to us in Moscow} (YESTERDAY CHARGES US WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS. THROUGHOUT, THE TONE SUGGESTS STAGE SETTING FOR A DEFENSIVE SHOW OF FORCE ALONG THE WALL ON MONDAY.

4. USSR SPACE EVENT:

THE SOVIETS LAUNCHED THEIR THIRD MANNED SPACE VEHICLE FROM TYURATAM AT 0430 EDT THIS MORNING. WE CANNOT BE SURE AS YET BUT EARLY INDICATIONS ARE THAT IF ALL GOES WELL DURING THE FIRST FEW ORBITS, THE VEHICLE WILL STAY IN ORBIT FOR SEVERAL DAYS. RECOVERY WILL MOST LIKELY TAKE PLACE AT ABOUT THE SAME TIME OF DAY AS LAUNCH TIME. [REDACTED] 50X1

5. INDIA/CHINA:

NEHRU [REDACTED] HAS DECIDED NOT TO PUSH FURTHER 50X1 ON THE CHINESE BORDER PROBLEM AND WILL NOW SEEK A DISENGAGEMENT OF FORCES IN THE LADAKH AREA. HE HOPES THEN TO ENGAGE THE CHINESE IN PROLONGED TALKS OVER THE BORDER ISSUE. MENON, WHO SEES OBVIOUS POLITICAL DANGER TO HIMSELF IN ANY MILITARY SETBACK, TOLD NEHRU THAT THE INDIAN POSITION IN LADAKH IS UNTENABLE. NEHRU HAS INDICATED TO AMBASSADOR GALBRAITH THAT HE EXPECTS TALKS WITH THE CHINESE THIS FALL.

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6. BRITISH GUIANA:

JAGAN IN BRITISH GUIANA IS TRYING TO ROUND UP FOREIGN HELP TO CREATE A "NATIONAL" (I.E., PRIVATE) ARMY MADE UP OUT OF THE EAST INDIAN POPULATION TO OFFSET THE PREDOMINANTLY NEGRO POLICE FORCE WHICH HE MISTRUSTS. SO FAR HE HAS GOT A FIRM OFFER OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FROM ISRAEL, BUT THE BRITISH ARE DENYING VISAS TO ISRAELI SPECIALISTS.

7. NOTES:

A. [REDACTED] THERE IS NO BASIS 50X1
FOR SAYING THAT ANY VIETNAMESE HAVE PULLED OUT OF LAOS AND HAVE REVISED THEIR ESTIMATE ACCORDINGLY.

B. THE SOMALI GOVERNMENT PLANS TO SEND SOME 50 PILOTS AND MECHANICS TO THE USSR FOR TRAINING, CONFIDENT THAT THEY WILL RETURN IN TWO YEARS WITHOUT POLITICAL INDOCTRINATION. THE USSR, VERY SOLICITOUS IN ITS ATTENTION TO SOMALIA, IS ENGAGED IN A VARIETY OF ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROJECTS THERE TO THE TUNE OF \$52 MILLION.

C. PORTUGUESE TROOPS ARE GETTING NOWHERE IN THE ANGOLAN HINTERLAND AND CONTINUED HARASSMENT BY REBELS IS TAKING ITS TOLL ON THEIR MORALE. IN LUANDA, RUMORS ABOUND AND TENSION BETWEEN WHITES AND AFRICANS THERE IS NEAR THE BREAKING POINT.

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